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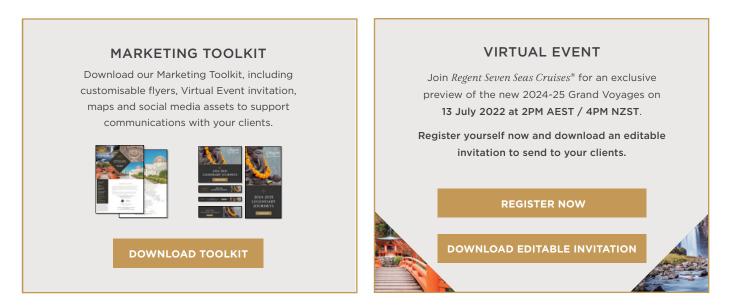
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#### Cruise Weekly today

*Cruise Weekly* today features four pages of all the latest cruise news, plus a cover page from **Regent Seven Seas Cruises**.

#### Legendary RSSC

**REGENT** Seven Seas Cruises' (RSSC) 2024 and 2025's 'Legendary Journeys' Grand Voyages are full of opportunities to explore something new, relax in total luxury, and experience the world in wonder.

Every luxury is included, and travellers will enjoy a host of bespoke amenities and enriching excursions as they discover the Arctic, the majesty of Europe, and the contrasting landscapes of Asia.

Pre-registrations are now open, and reservations proper open 21 Jul.

More info on the **cover page**.

# Costantin back in cruise with Explora

**EXPLORA** Journeys' new Head of Sales APAC Nicole Costantin told *Cruise Weekly* she is "thrilled" to be working with the line, which is bringing an "entirely new perspective to cruising" (*CW* breaking news yesterday).

Costantin officially started her new position on Tue, coming from Flight Centre Travel Group, where she has been since Jan 2020.

Before that, she was an executive with Norwegian Cruise Line, and now returns to the sector, with just over 300 days until Explora's first ship *Explora I* sets sail from Barcelona (*CW* 01 Jun).

Costantin said her immediate focus will be reconnecting with the cruising network and all luxury travel advisors across the APAC region.

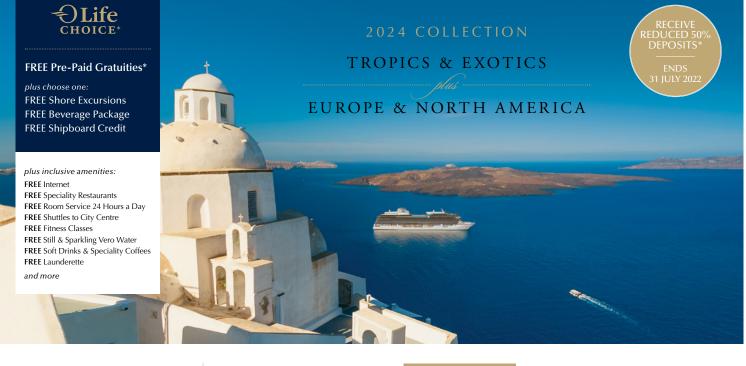
"Explora is very much about luxury and lifestyle, but it's also about the way cruising on the



ocean can make you feel when you arrive in port at a new destination," she explained.

"This brand will deliver a truly immersive and expressive guest experience, designed to create long lasting memories of the destination, as well as the journey." Also joining Explora alongside Costantin was Wanda Ferrand, who is now the cruise line's Experience Centre Leader.

Ferrand was most recently local Operations Manager for the collapsed Crystal Cruises. **Pictured** is Travel Associates' Kathy Pavlidis with Costantin.





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## NCLH to remove pre-cruise testing

**NORWEGIAN** Cruise Line Holdings (NCLH) has announced revisions to its SailSAFE health & safety protocols, no longer requiring guests to complete a pre-cruise COVID-19 test unless required by local regulations.

The policy will go into effect across Norwegian Cruise Line, Oceania and Regent Seven Seas beginning next month.

The relaxation of the testing policy is in line with the rest of the travel industry worldwide, but NCLH continues to strongly recommend all guests be up to date on vaccination protocols and test themselves prior to travel.

"All voyages across the company's three brands continue to operate under its robust science-backed SailSAFE health and safety program which will evolve along with the public health environment," NCLH said. "The company also follows



applicable local protocols at the ports and destinations it visits." Pre-embarkation testing will remain in place for guests currently travelling on voyages departing from destinations including the United States,

Canada, and Greece.

NCLH recently released its results for the three months to 31 Mar, reporting robust passenger demand, with net booking volumes approaching historical levels (CW 11 May).

### Tall ship to Tassie

**SYDNEY** Harbour Tall Ships is inviting Australians to sail to Hobart aboard Soren Larsen.

The cruise ship is heading to Tasmania for the Australian Wooden Boat Festival from 10-13 Feb, and is inviting cruisers to join her for the voyage.

The four-day festival brings together the largest and most beautiful collection of wooden ships in the region on Hobart's vibrant and bustling waterfront.

Soren Larsen will sail down the New South Wales and Victorian coastlines before crossing the Bass Strait, and navigating down eastern Tasmania and into Hobart.

Berths are also available for Soren Larsen's return leg to Sydney.

The 11-day voyage is priced at \$2,550 per person - book now HERE.

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#### Coral CIAF pact

**CORAL** Expeditions is continuing as a major partner of the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF).

Now in the sixth year of the partnership, Coral will be the major partner of the 'Collectors and Curators' program in 2022.

The partnership supports a key element of the annual CIAF program with the hosting of art buyers and gallery curators from major institutions nationally and globally.

"The fair is one of the highlights of North Queensland's event calendar and is a true 'coming together' of communities and cultures," said Coral's Jeff Gillies.

"Over the years, our partnership with CIAF has introduced us to special artists and we greatly value these connections".

## Tauck to host three Australian events

**TAUCK** is inviting Australian travel advisors to exclusive events with the cruise line's team.

Hosted by MD Australia David Clark, VP Global Sales Steve Spivak, and National Account Manager Helen Eves, there will be three events later this month - a mixture of breakfasts and a cocktail reception.

Tauck will be in New South Wales and Brisbane on 20 Jul, at Shangri La Sydney and Sofitel Brisbane Central respectively; and in Victoria at The Langham, Melbourne on 22 Jul.

Clark said Tauck is delighted the time has finally come for the cruise line to engage with agents in Australia once again, as it elevates its local presence. "We are committed to

enhancing the growth of this market, therefore, it is with much anticipation that we are hosting these events and meeting face-



to-face with our valued partners," he said.

"The trade is our most valued distribution channel, therefore through events such as these, we will provide agents with in-depth information on our incredible product offering and itineraries."

"For advisors who already know us, these events offer a wonderful opportunity to update them on what's new at Tauck as we eagerly move forward and away from the travel restrictions".

Spaces are limited, and on a first-come, first-served basis, with all RSVPs to be received by Tue.

CLICK HERE to register for the Sydney and Melbourne event, while Brisbane agents can CLICK HERE to register for their event. Pictured: American Duchess.



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AN ART mural by Brazilian artist Ernesto Kunde is set to be featured at Norwegian Cruise Line's new terminal in Miami.

Kunde is the first to win Norwegian's 'Call to Artists' contest, which awards \$100,000, a 10-day artist residency, and access to a prominent wall display at the terminal.

The contest is a collaboration with the Nader Museum, and is designed to support South Florida artists.

The multi-story original masterpiece is inspired by Miami's coveted mangroves, and is visible to all as it is showcased at the new state-ofthe-art terminal at PortMiami.

#### Aqua Blu Indonesia

**AQUA** Expeditions' luxurious yacht Aqua Blu has returned to Indonesian waters to the Coral Triangle in the country's east.

Setting sail on seven- and 12-night itineraries, Aqua Blu is the first expedition yacht permanently based in Indonesia, visiting destinations including Komodo National Park, the Spice Islands and Raja Ampat.

Going off the beaten track to unlock remote and often hardto-reach destinations with the aid of two private tenders, Aqua Blu is equipped to take its guests into the most rugged and captivating pockets of the Coral Triangle.



This crew has talent!



THE P&O Cruises Australia crew has talent, it appears, with Pacific Explorer hosting the return of its International Crew Talent Show.

The great P&O Australia tradition saw crew members from a host of nations take command of the Marquee Theatre for the special 10-act show of singing, dancing and musicality.

The show was a cross between Australia's Got Talent and variety arts, as crew members from bars & restaurants, reception, and accommodation revealed their talents.

Considering the audience

participation, guests were overjoyed to welcome their crew back to the stage!



#### FCCA adds Windstar

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**FLORIDA-CARIBBEAN** Cruise Association (FCCA) has added Windstar Cruises as a member line.

With the addition, there are now 23 members of the FCCA.

"We are excited to add Windstar Cruises as an FCCA member line and offer more large opportunities that small ship cruise lines provide to our destination partners that cannot cater to bigger ships but have biggerthan-life histories, cultures and offerings," said the Association's Chief Executive Officer Michele Paige.

"The intimate, immersive and authentic experiences that Windstar features continue to grow in demand."

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